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WAT ROOSEVELT WANTS.

It has been well known for a period of twelve months that Governor Dole would resign providing he had assurance that Secretary H. E. Cooper would be appointed his successor. It is known that the late President McKinley was approached with a proposition of this kind and that he did not look upon the scheme with favor. Theodore Roosevelt inherited the inside information as to Dole's wishes which with the clouds of complaints from the outside, convinced him that the removal of Dole would have to be made early this spring. The President was agreeable to the wishes of Dole in the matter of his resignation but did not take the idea of putting a second edition of the "sphinx" in the Governor's office.

Governor Dole and his Secretary have no one to blame but themselves for the furore that has been howling about their heads in Hawaii and in Washington. Since the overturn of the Monarchy they have been playing a "cinch" game in the politics and are at it yet. That sort of a graft is distasteful to the great majority on these Islands and does not suit the President.

With frankness the President has made his inquiries about conditions and men in Hawaii. He asked Parker a question and it was announced that he had offered to make him Governor. He asks George Carter a few questions and that gentleman immediately goes crazy. The President mentions Dillingham and H. P. Baldwin. Then the hens in the poultry yard cackle another tune. All that have been named are gubernatorial impossibilities for patent reasons differing in each case. None of them will step into Dole's shoes. Dole will either not be removed, or if removed will be replaced by Judge Little.

President Roosevelt naturally wants a strong, sincere and harmonious Administration party built up in these Islands. Cooper could not make two magnets adhere. Carter would disintegrate the molecules in a piece of wrought iron and Baldwin is too closely wrapped up in his vast sugar interests to care to devote the time necessary to bring about a realization of the President's desires. Whether he is appointed Governor or not it remains a fact that Judge Little is the only man so far named for the place who can line up all classes and factions in a solid loyal Roosevelt party. A party that would be willing to be swayed by the most aggressive and progressive American yet made President.

HAWAII'S AGUINALDO.

The deadlock between the Judge of the Fourth Circuit Court and the Attorney General's department over the transmission of money collected for fines imposed in that Court, is a small detail which in itself shows with what stubbornness the old regime in Hawaii resist real American annexation. The Attorney General, who claims he is as good an American as anybody, resists Americanism in Hawaii with as much determination and craftiness as did Aguinaldo in the Philippines. The Attorney is one degree inferior to Aguinaldo. For that barbarian of the Philippines was too honorable to take the name and not the substance. E. P. Dole is an American in name and an Aguinaldo in heart and practice.

The Hilo jail would be a good place for the Attorney General and the High Sheriff to do a month's thinking. And if they ever get there by reason of acts in contempt of Court, the Governor's reprieve will reach them with less alacrity than it did Hartwell, Kinney and Thurston at Honolulu.

THE SHETLAND PONY.

Carl S. Smith has a reputation as a lawyer. It has been said by himself and his friends that he graduated from some department at Stanford University. In spite of these achievements, as the chief factotum in banquet preparations, he can make more bulls and blunders in a minute than a herd of mules rampant on a stampede down Front street. From the time he took under advisement the business of naming his executive committee to the minute he sat down at the banquet table after venting his personal spite in a closely veiled speech a la the manner of a coward, he acted the part of a Shetland pony in an elephant trick at a circus. He stood on his hind legs; he layed down in the sawdust and rolled over; he snorted and kicked the elephants in their sides with his dainty harmless hind feet. His antics were painful at every stage. Now that the memory of Washington's birth has been fittingly observed it is not improper to hope that the Shetland pony will stay in its stall for at least a year.

A FEDERAL BUILDING.

The citizens' committee, composed of Messrs. John A. Scott, P. Peck, N. C. Willong and J. W. Mason, appointed to compile data in answer to questions submitted by the chairman of the House Committee on Public Buildings and grounds have forwarded an excellent document. The facts set forth in a few words will have weight with the Committee and should produce results. The necessity for a Federal building at Hilo will be apparent to any one reading this report. The report says: "The present wooden shack used for our Postoffice is most inadequate and unsafe to handle the large mails and money passing through here. Our money order business alone, last year, amounted to \$288,116.13 issued; \$45,114.65 paid."

With steamer communication with San Francisco this volume will be largely increased.

The report shows an increase in the value of the assessable property of the Hilo District in the past five years of \$4,000,000. In the whole Island the increase during this period has been \$11,872,320.

The sugar produced on this Island last year amounted to 134,618 tons, the output of the whole Territory being 360,038 tons. It was pointed out that with the completion of railroads now contemplated, the sugar product of this Island would nearly all pass through this port.

The need of suitable quarters in this city for the transaction of the official business of the United States could not be better emphasized than in the words of the report: "At the present time our Collector of the Port has no place to transact his business except a private office. Our Federal Judge is allowed by the courtesy of the Circuit Judge to hold his Court in the Circuit Court room, there being no other place available. The internal revenue officers transact their business in their bedrooms at the hotel. The Surveyor of the Port has his office in a small shed room."

The report states that an appropriation of \$50,000 would not be too much, as such a building should be large enough to accommodate not only a Postoffice and Custom House, but a United States Appraisers office; Surveyor of the Port; U. S. Marine Hospital Quarantine Service; Immigration Bureau; Revenue Cutter and Secret Service; U. S. Army and Navy Recruiting Office; U. S. Internal Revenue Office; Quarters for U. S. Court, U. S. Marshal, U. S. Attorney, U. S. Commissioner, and U. S. Land Office.

A building to suit the needs of Hilo must be much larger than one for a town of our size and population on the Mainland. Hilo is a distributing point of growing importance and will eventually be the commercial center of the biggest and richest Island in the Hawaiian group.

HONOLULU will appeal to the Federal Government to take charge of the job of rendering that city sanitary. A reckless boy once went into a strange country where he wasted his substance in riotous living. The biblical prodigal arose and went to his father. Modern prodigals send home for money.

W. C. Cook's speech at the American banquet, published in full in the news columns of the TRIBUNE is good easy reading and profitable.

AN American banquet with Judge Gilbert F. Little absent is like a play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out.

THE Hilo Railroad will be running along the water front before frost.

Report of Acting Governor.

The report of Acting Governor Cooper to the Secretary of the Interior has arrived here in bound form, complete, with a large number of half-tone illustrations and detail maps of the different islands. The volume in its present form is a valuable acquisition to any library, and the statistical matter is of great interest, not only to those living in the Islands, but to those on the mainland who desire to become acquainted with the Pacific Paradise. A synopsis of the text of the report appeared in the TRIBUNE some time ago.

The frontispiece is a fine photograph of the late Princess Kaiulani. Pictures are shown in half-tones of the residences of E. D. Tenney, Jas. B. Castle, W. G. Irwin, the Hotel Moano, Naval Row in Honolulu Harbor, Hilo Harbor, at which a breakwater is recommended to be constructed; open roadstead, "A Departing Steamer," Honolulu; sugar mill in course of construction, entrance to Aiea, near Honolulu; residence of Princess Kaiulani, Kapiolani Park lake scene, Laulaha and cocoanuts, mountain waterfalls, Hawaii; native grass huts in the woods, lei makers, Honolulu; first attempt at forestry, Tantalus forest, showing silver wattle grown from seed and transplanted; coconut grove, Puna, Hawaii, grown in lava flow near the sea; forest, Hawaii, 2300 feet elevation, showing ohia trees 90 feet high; acacia koa forest, Hawaii, at 4,000 feet elevation; tamarind tree, 40 feet high; banyan tree; taro and bananas, mango tree in fruit, Hilo, Hawaii; breadfruit tree, full of fruit, 50 feet high; Travellers' Tree; map showing location of Honolulu sewer system, map of location of Honolulu Iron Works, bird's eye view of Iron Works, interior of Iron Works' machine shops, capitol building, Judd building, Stangenwald building, Central Fire Station, road through forest on way to volcano, lava flow, Kilauea crater; mould-shaped lava overflow, crater of Kilauea Hawaii; Hale Mau Mau, House of Everlasting Fire.

The maps of the Islands, six in number, fill a large amount of space in the back of the volume. Each is colored and gives the elevation of the mountains, besides showing the earlier division of the crown and government lands by colors. The map of Hawaii is by C. J. Lyons, from trigonometrical surveys by W. D. Alexander, C. J. Lyons, J. F. Brown, M. O. Monsarrat and Wm. Webster.

Home Rule Dead.

Liverpool, Feb. 14.—Lord Rosebery received a tremendous ovation at the great Liberal demonstration here this evening. His lengthy speech, the principal one of the evening, was attentively received and heartily applauded. He failed to throw any fresh light on the war situation, but he strongly emphasized his hostility to the Irish party and his desire to utterly alienate it from the Liberal camp.

During his remarks Lord Rosebery said that the greatest change in heart and head undergone during his five years' absence from public life was in regard to the Irish problem. Gladstone's bills were dead and buried, though that statement cast no reflection on the great statesmen who originated them. The Irish party had now indignantly repudiated any connection with the Liberal party, and he believed they had acted wisely. It was both to their interests and to those of the Liberal party. The Irish leaders had played their full hand. They had demanded an independent Parliament in Dublin and thereupon he had cried "Halt!" This remark was greeted with applause.

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